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<p style="text-align: center;"><b>REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>TRANSMITTAL</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Address To: Mail Stop RCE Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450</p>	<p>Application Number: 09/593,973</p> <p>Filing Date: June 13, 2000</p> <p>First Named Inventor: Winkelmann</p> <p>Art Unit: 2161</p> <p>Examiner Name: Amsbury, Wayne P.</p> <p>Attorney Docket No. 018360-201592</p>
<p><b>This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR § 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application.</b></p>	

**1. Submission Required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

- a.  Previously submitted:
  - i.  Consider the arguments in Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed.
  - ii.  Other: \_\_\_\_\_
- b.  Enclosed:
  - i.  Reply: Amendment and Response to Final Office Action.
  - ii.  Affidavits or Declarations: \_\_\_\_\_
  - iii.  Other: Petition and Fee for Extension of Time.

**2. Miscellaneous**

- a.  Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required);
- b.  Other: \_\_\_\_\_
- 3. **Fees.** The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.
  - a.  A Credit Card Authorization is attached authorizing a charge in the total amount of Nine Hundred Ninety Dollars (\$ 990.00) for:
    - i.  The RCE fee as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) in the amount of Seven Hundred Ninety Dollars (\$ 790.00) for a non-small entity.

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- ii.  A Petition and Fee for Extension of Time, filed herewith, under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17; the fee in the amount of One Hundred Twenty Dollars (\$ 120.00) for a non-small entity.
- iii.  Other: \_\_\_\_\_

b.  The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiencies, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 16-0605.

Respectfully submitted,



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